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August 10, 1970

Mr. and Mrs. John Acuff  
276 East 12th  
Cookeville, Tennessee 38501

Dear John And Carolyn:

Thanks so much for the illustrations you sent along about heaven. I can imagine how Charles Fuller might have developed such a topic. He was a great man with a beautiful gift of working with the Word of God. His old-fashioned Revival Hour has thrilled many souls.

I was deeply concerned to hear about Sue Brimm. I am also thankful that God is healing those broken bones. If you see Bill Brimm before I see him, please give him and Sue my concern and deep interest. I hope to see you before you receive this letter. I am not sure, however, what day we will be able to get to Cookeville. The vacation has all of a sudden vanished, at least most of it has for me. I will be speaking in Houston, Texas, Oklahoma City and Fort Lauderdale, Florida during my vacation time, as well as trying to study Romans with Carl. We will get a chance to see you one way or the other.

I was deeply concerned about your statements about Jack. I don't know what to do with this relationship. I continue to push and even today I am going to call him, as a result of your letter, without, of course, mentioning your letter. I don't know why our house-decision should influence him. I am not sure at all what it even means for us. I don't see any real evidence at this point, that we are any freer than we were when we had it. Never-the-less, we continue to trust day-by-day and to receive from God full bounty for all our needs. Whatever you can do to help my relationship with Jack, I will appreciate. I was accused the other day by a very dear friend of mine of "burning up most of my personal relationships." This same friend came by my office the other day and specifically asked, "How are you and Jack Sells getting along." It was weird. I have tried to be honest and objective in looking at my personal relationships. There must be something that I am not aware of that causes me to "run through" relationships that mean a great deal. I do hope and pray that this is not the case, and at this point, honestly, I cannot see how that is true. Your ministry to me, in

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observation of my personal relationships of which you have knowledge, is welcomed.

God bless you in your new work at Cookeville.

Your brother,

John Allen Chalk

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July 29, 1970

John,  
Diana and Pearl from our common Lord -  
The enclosed gave me a lift, I thought it  
might for -

I have done to do here Monday night 30 typed  
at Masons, Leathright Jagers and met with their prayer  
group. Tonight with Jim & Katharine Brown (Elaine  
Harris Parents) Thursday with Al. Thursday night  
Al and I are going to go to the Union Evangel Mission  
for their meeting.

I was with Jack on Sunday night. John,  
I'm concerned about your relationship. He is  
really tight about this house thing. I guess  
he feel threatened in his plans to build. I pray  
for Jack and for us that we may be Gods  
instrument to help heal this wound.

Pray for Sue Platt Brown who hit the dock  
country while still on the ski and holding the  
two rope - She is in Nash's Memorial Hospital.  
Broken ribs etc but God is healing her -

Must have a talk with you on your  
visit about your next home. I got two  
small trouble get one of the students to make  
a photo for me of the sign on the Abilene  
Dairy that says "No Salvaging Allowed" I'm  
doing just a story about it for Faith at Ash  
Maggie -

Brother, you spend time with Sue and  
the kids. This is one of my vices and I know  
yours too - Just a great card from Linda -  
Gave to her then even if they are like to  
a "cowboy" -  
Be free, Be this -

With this love and My own

